Claim 10, line 1, change "method" to --kit--; change "2" to --30---

Claim 20, line 1, change "method" to --treating--; line 2, after "two" insert --contacting--.

Claim 21, line 1, change "method" to --treating--; cancel "preparations are"; cancel "and".

Claim 22, line 1, change "method" to --treating--; cancel "applying".

Claim 23, line 1, before "substrate" insert --wood--; change "method" to --treating--;

Claim 31 (Amended), line 3, before "additive" insert --aqueous--:

line 4, cancel "alcohol".

Kindly rewrite the following claims in amended form as below:

- (Twice amended) A kit for imparting /a pre-determined color to a solid wood substrate, comprising:
  - an aqueous solution of a first compound consisting of a mineral salt and water as a first application on the solid wood substrate, and
  - (b) a second component comprising an aqueous solution of a peroxide as a sequential application on the solid wood substrate,

the mineral salt and peroxide/solutions [being capable, when] applied sequentially in effective amounts to the substrate[, of] and reacting with each other in the presence of the substrate to impart the color to the substrate.

2. (Twice amended) [A method for] <u>T[t]</u>reating <u>and</u> <u>coloring</u> a <u>wood</u> substrate with the kit of claim 30 comprising the steps of:

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- (a) contacting [a] the wood substrate with [a] first [formulation] component aqueous solution preparation comprising [an] the oxidizable metal salt, and allowing an effective amount of the first [formulation] component aqueous solution preparation to penetrate the wood substrate, and sequentially but without regard to order,
- (b) contacting the wood substrate with [a] the second [formulation] component aqueous solution preparation comprising an oxygen source, and allowing an effective amount of the second [formulation] component aqueous solution preparation to penetrate the wood substrate,
- (c) reacting in situ within the wood substrate the first and the second [formulation] component aqueous solution preparation with each other in contact with the wood substrate and
- (d) imparting a stable <u>color</u> change to <u>color</u> characteristics of the <u>wood</u> substrate.
- 3. (Amended) The [method] <u>kit</u> of claim [2] <u>30</u>, wherein the exygen source is a peroxide and both [formulations] <u>preparations</u> are <u>exclusively</u> aqueous solutions.
- √ 30. (Amended) A kit for treating and coloring a wood substrate, comprising
  - (a) [an] a first component aqueous solution of oxidizable